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## **STOCKTON BRANCH OFFICE TO CLOSE FEBRUARY 28, 2005**

On Monday, February 28, 2005, at 5:00 p.m., the State Board of Equalization office located at 31 East Channel Street, Suite 264, Stockton, California will permanently close its customer service counter. The customer service counter was part of a joint Taxpayer Service Center with the Employment Development Department and the Franchise Tax Board. The other parties previously vacated the Center.

The closure of the Stockton customer service counter comes after much consideration as to its effect on taxpayers and is part of the Board's effort to reduce expenditures. After the closure, accounts previously served at the Stockton location will be maintained at the:

Sacramento District Office  
3321 Power Inn Road, Suite 210  
Sacramento, CA 95826-3889  
916-227-6700

Taxpayers may also visit any other Board office for assistance. For a listing of all Board offices and for forms and general information, please visit our website at [www.boe.ca.gov](http://www.boe.ca.gov), or call the Board's Information Center at 800-400-7115, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., excluding state holidays.

The five-member California State Board of Equalization is a publicly elected tax board, and is comprised of Betty T. Yee of San Francisco, Acting Member, First District; Bill Leonard of Sacramento/Ontario, Second District; Claude Parrish of Long Beach, Third District; Chair John Chiang of Los Angeles, Fourth District; and State Controller Steve Westly.

The Board collects nearly \$42 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and also plays a significant role in the assessment and administration of property tax.

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